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ELIZABETH CITY:

TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 12, 1859.

To the Democracy of the First Congressional District of N. Carolina.

At the Democratic District Convention held at Winton on the 28th of May, 1857, a Committee of thirteen was appointed, charged with the duty of designating the place and time of holding the next Convention.

After a full and free interchange of sentiments between the surviving members of said Committee, it appears that a large majority of them are in favor of Edenton as the place, and Thursday, the 26th of May, as the time, for holding said Convention; and those who preferred other places, did so from local partialities and not from any objection to Edenton.

By virtue, therefore, of the authority vested in us, we hereby designate EDENTON as the place, and THURSDAY, 26th May, as the time, for holding our next Congressional Convention.

By order of the Committee.
JOHN B. JONES, Ch'n.

THE VIRGINIA ELECTION.

Can there be sincerity in the declarations of the Opposition regarding the result of the election in Virginia? Are they serious when they assert the probability of the success of Wm. L. Goggin over John Letcher? To suppose Goggin's election claimed in good faith is to suppose his supporters a blind and infatuated set of mortals, oblivious to the past history of the Old Dominion, or considerably infected with political insanity. But we neither believe the one or the other of these things, and have not the slightest particle of faith in the sincerity of any declarations or calculations claiming the triumph of the Opposition in the coming contest.

The Virginia journals in the Goggin interest, in the vain hope of effecting something for their candidate, pretend to a confidence in the chances for a Democratic overthrow, and the press at a distance are deceiving their readers and raising hopes never to be realized by ceasing this opinion. It would require a stretch of credulity to believe that Virginia, at this day, is about to break loose from her moorings because of a silly and non-sensical charge made against one of the truest of her sons, when she has rode out, in times past by storms and tempests that shattered and shivered the hull of many a gallant craft, but left her staunch and firm and though she had met the evening zephyr. Yet it is asserted that she will be wrecked in the storm which the Opposition imagine they have raised. The prediction has begotten high expectations in the bosoms of those who leave others to do their thinking, and pin their faith to the sleeves of men who have never done anything but deceive them. Airy castles loom up before the credulous victims of these false and unfounded statements, doomed to be swept from existence, and

"Like the baseness of a vision,
Leave not a wreck behind."

The effect which a triumph of the amalgamation in Virginia is to have upon the general result in 1860, is considered with a gravity and seriousness that cannot fail to bring a smile to the countenance of the reader, and even though he be as insensible to the ludicrous and as impregnable to attack upon his risibles as ever was Domine Sampson, will, doubtless, be productive of the habitual exclamation of that famous individual, "P-r-o-d-i-g-i-o-u-s!"

From certain articles given to the public, the success of the opponents of the Democratic party upon the national battle ground, is made to depend much on the way that Virginia shall cast her vote in May next. Promising that Goggin will beat Letcher, and that this will be the commencement of a revolution that will hurl every Democratic State from its base, the conclusion is speedily reached that the Democracy are destined for a Waterloo defeat in the presidential struggle. This is the reasoning of the Augusta (Ga.) Dispatch, which we get from the Raleigh Register, and is in these words:

"If the Opposition should be victorious in May, their success will add confidence to that party all over the Union, and especially throughout the South. A victory, then and there, will unite all the diverse elements and factions of parties in the South, upon the platform of the Virginia Opposition; and when united, a formidable, if not irresistible party will arise."

We have no objection to the *Virginia Dispatch*, and would be perfectly willing to give the success of a coalition candidate upon the result of the election in Virginia.

Never have the chances for an anti-democratic majority in that State been fewer than at this time, and never were they better than in 1840, and 1856. We all know the influences that were brought to bear at the former period, when the whole country was tossed to and fro upon the waves of the log cabin and hard cider excitement, and when town and country, village and hamlet, were in a ferment from the effect of the unparalleled and disgraceful humbug that were set in motion by the reckless and unprincipled demagogues of the day. Virginia stood the brunt of the avalanche that swept over her and came forth with a democratic majority of 1300, if we remember rightly. In the last gubernatorial canvass, Know-Nothingism, flushed with its triumphs in the North, swollen and bloated with power, recently reelected from the hands of the Democracy, boasting over the achievements won by a secret and mysterious organization, and proudly defiant from the unbroken series of victories that had perched upon its banners, came thundering down upon the old Commonwealth, threatening annihilation to all opposition, and confident in a brilliant, glorious, and decisive routing of the enemy's forces. How they were driven back, like chaff before the first blast of the hurricane, and their jubilant hosts sent howling back to the culverts from which they had issued in the pride of certain victory, we need not stop to tell. Though every species of deception was practiced in that memorable campaign, and the worst passions of the human heart were aroused to sway the popular will, the invincible Democracy met the charge as became the old guard and won an imperishable fame by their gallant deeds. And now, can it be possible for Virginia to waver? No!!!

If the opposition succeed in Virginia! Ah, "if" they do; what a contingency! "If" the hopes of the enemies of the Democracy hang upon such an event, then may they say—

"The gloom of night is come—
A hopeless darkness settles o'er our fate."

THE CONVENTION

Will meet in Edenton on Thursday, the 26th of May, such being the decision of the Committee, which is announced in our columns to-day over the signature of the Chairman, Col. J. B. Jones. Now that this question is settled, and settled we believe to the satisfaction of all portions of the district, we would say to our Democratic friends, one and all, go to work and send up full delegations, that we may have a handsome gathering of the Democracy. There seems to be but one sentiment in regard to the choice of the Convention. The counties that have spoken, have named the Hon. H. M. Shaw as their preference; we hear only the most enthusiastic commendation, from those which are yet to appoint delegates of the course of their faithful representative in the Press in the District are unanimous in his support; therefore we hazard nothing in saying that Dr. Shaw will be nominated by acclamation. He has served his constituents nobly in the past, let them now rally en-masse to record their unqualified approval of his labors. We hope to see every county in the district with a full representation. We desire to see such a gathering of democrats as the old First has never yet witnessed; we are anxious that the Edenton Convention shall show to the enemy that the Democracy are aroused and ready for the battle. Then organize, brother Democrats of each and every county, hold your meetings, and send forth a handsome delegation to represent you at Edenton. *Select such men as will attend.* This is an important point, and too often neglected. In the appointment of delegates too little attention is given to the probabilities of their attending; the evils of which are seen in the many counties which are not represented in Convention. Let our friends attend to this, and see that a respectable number of those named will perform their duty. As we have frequently said, it is all important that the Convention should be large and enthusiastic, and then its power will be felt and its voice will wake every sleeper in the District. Prepare for the work, friends; come up to it as becomes good Democrats proud of the cause and their champion, and certain victory awaits you.

NOTICE.

The Rev. C. P. Deems, D. D., will deliver an address before the students and patrons of the Hartford Academy, on Thursday the 7th of July. The public generally are invited to attend.

The bill to prevent the rendition of fugitive slaves—known as the Personal Liberty bill, which has been before the Legislature of N. York, has been defeated, every Democrat voting against it.

The North Carolina Planter, for April, has been sent us by the publisher, A. M. Gorman, Raleigh. Its contents are valuable to the agriculturist. Price \$1.00 per year.

Messrs. Holden and Wilson, of the Standard will accept our thanks for a copy of the speech of Mr. Blodson upon *ad valorem* taxation.

Bishop Atkinson preached in Christ Church in this town on Wednesday morning, and also at night to a large and deeply interested congregation.

Rev. Hope Bain, Universalist, also preached in this town, on the 6th and 7th of April.

The Southern Planter for April is also received. This is another able assistant to the operations of the farmer, and with the other should be extensively circulated.

CONSISTENCY.

The "Americans" and Whigs of the South are talking about a union of all the elements of the opposition against the Democracy, which of course includes the Black Republicans. In this coalition the slavery question is to be ignored. Whilst the negotiation is going on, and the terms are being arranged, their Black Republican friends are engaged in legislating for the nullification of the Fugitive slave law, in endeavoring to enact personal Liberty bills, and setting at naught those provisions of the Constitution which give Southern men the right to recover slaves when found in northern territory. This is surely an ignoring of the slavery question with a vengeance.

THE SICKLES TRIAL.

The trial of the Hon. Daniel E. Sickles, for the killing of Philip Barton Key, commenced in Washington City on Monday, the 4th; the Court was engaged until Wednesday, in empanelling the jury.

The District Attorney addressed the jury, but the counsel for the defence declined to do so until the closing evidence for the prosecution had been heard. Ten witnesses have been examined—the testimony being confined to the act of killing.

The Court adjourned until to-morrow, and the jury were taken in charge by the Marshal.

THE FAIR.

We do not intend that our readers shall forget the Fair which the Ladies of Christ Church propose to hold on Superior court week. The object intended to be accomplished is the canceling the balance of a debt due towards the erection of their present place of worship. The preparations, we understand, are quite extensive, and we hope the indefatigable labors of those engaged will be amply rewarded. All that is asked is a fair profit upon the investment, and we imagine this will be given cheerfully.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER.

Thomas Pratt, overseer on the farm of Mr. M. S. Dance, eight miles from E. City, was knocked down on last Wednesday, in the field by a slave with a hoe, and but for the timely interference of some of the negroes who were near at the time, would have undoubtedly been killed.

THE WEATHER.

Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, were remarkably cold for the season. There was a thin skin of ice on Tuesday, and quite a severe frost on Thursday morning. We are not aware that the crops have sustained any injury as it was very dry at the time.

EXECUTION IN BALTIMORE.

Peter Corrie, Marion Cropps, Henry Gambrill, and the negro Cypius, were hung in Baltimore on Friday last. Gambrill and the negro asserted their innocence of the crime charged to the last.

Weldon, N. C., April 6th, 1859. Two days ago I was at Goldsboro', Court was in session and His Honor Judge Shepherd was presiding. The new Judge presides with a great deal of ease, grace and dignity, but with none of that crab-apple austerity which is too often met with on the Bench. He adorns the Bench, and in my humble judgment is destined to be one of its brightest ornaments. At the Bar were Messrs. Dorch, Person, (late Judge) Stevenson, Houston, and a host of others, and yet, in the midst of so much talent and ability, the only trial I heard was a trivial chicken case that wasn't worth a sixpence.

The docket was very full however, and I left the Court hard at work. On yesterday a Democratic convention was to have been held for the purpose of appointing delegates to the district convention. Every body is in favor of Col. Ruffin, and he will no doubt be re-nominated and re-elected, for he is deservedly one of the most popular men in the District. I put up while in Goldsboro' at Griswold's Hotel, and really I should be proud to every town in the State had such an one. Every thing is kept in perfect order and the fare may well be denominated *en plus ultra*. I think Judge Heath will endorse that.

On my return from Goldsboro' the train ran over a poor organ-grinder about twenty miles North of that place, and split his head into a thousand atoms. I never saw so complete a wreck in my life of anything. The poor fellow was overtaken on a trestle bridge seventeen hundred feet long, and it being night (about 10 o'clock,) the Engineer did not see him till he was upon him, and the poor fellow either being deaf or afraid to jump lost he should be drowned, seems to have squatted down on the end of a sill just where the wheels could strike his head conveniently; that, together with his whole body, was made a complete wreck, and formed one of the most horrible spectacles I ever witnessed.

Our county convention will be held at April court. But, we think it high time the Committee had fixed on a time and place for holding the convention, in order that it may be known all over the District and delegates may have time to make their arrangements to attend.

If we cannot have the Convention at Weldon I believe we would prefer Edenton, though if Williamson is selected Halifax will send a delegation there, or anywhere else. Halifax is for Shaw, and she will be in the convention, no matter where it may be held, and not only that, she will be apt to speak her sentiments in August as she is accustomed to do, in tones that can be heard and language that cannot be misunderstood.

There was a death in this vicinity on Saturday night last, that of Mrs. Robert W. Ivey, a good lady and a sincere Christian.

The weather has once more become open and clear, but it is very windy and cold this morning.

Now I will conclude.

RIP SLAP.

CONVICTION OF A PHYSICIAN. Boston, April 5.—Dr. David R. Brown has been convicted of causing the death of Susan Caroline Webster by illegal practice. The punishment for this offence is imprisonment from seven to twenty-one years.

SUCCESS OF THE PARAGUAY EXPEDITION—THE LESSON IT TEACHES.

With general satisfaction the country will learn the success of the Paraguay Expedition. "Whatever may be the particular results of the expedition, it is certain that it went to punish, confident assurance may be felt that the object of the expedition has been fully attained, in a manner consistent with the power and the character of the United States. As the earliest advocate among the journals of the country, of the grant of power asked by the President, out of which the expedition grew, we feel especial satisfaction that its success has been reached without effusion of blood, and that its whole management has been such as to make manifest that the extraordinary power, with which Congress clothed the President, was lodged in firm and judicious hands. Had the news of to-day been a few months earlier, we are not sure that Congress would not have gone very far towards meeting the views of the President, as to the large discretion he asked with reference to our South and Central American neighbors. The only objection we have ever seen to the request of the President, was founded on its want of special and definite application. We never did conceive that the power he asked would be dangerous in his hands, or that he made the application so broad only for reasons of diplomacy. Even now it is to be regretted that the sanction of Congress has not secured Mr. Buchanan ample powers to reach the adjustment of some serious matters, more efficiently than through the ordinary path of diplomacy. Had Congress investigated all the cases in which, like that of Paraguay, cause of war existed, and made against them the same modified declaration of war, (which is the only just description of the Paraguayan affair,) there can be no doubt that some of the most serious complications which threaten the country's peace would have found a solution very different, and far less costly, than seems now to be threatened in our Central American relations.

The material of the Paraguay expedition transferred to the waters of Nicaragua, and directed to the same purpose it has just accomplished, the vindication of the rights and honor of our flag and the security of our countrymen, would have long since put to rest every subject of dispute.

Is it too late yet? And has not the President at least power enough to compel the restitution of American property, without a resort to Congress? These are questions of imminent importance. By the time Congress is again convened, the relations of France to Nicaragua may be such as to compel conflict, on such a scale that we can but hope to maintain our character by fearful sacrifices.

If our Central American relations be what they are stated to be, the part of wisdom would seem to be a quick display of power, and an unqualified demand for redress. We cannot but hope, looking at the whole subject, that the President will find it consistent with his constitutional obligations, to act promptly, fully, and efficiently, on this subject. The Paraguay expedition now affords ample material for a formidable display. The occasion itself justifies the strongest posture of diplomacy can take; and the Constitution nor the feeling of a brave people demand that broad-sides be silent in the presence of grave offence. INGRAM did not wait for declaration of war, before he had shot his guns in the Bay of Smyrna. He took the responsibility. Why shall not the fleet of the United States stand in the same attitude to Nicaragua?—*Petersburg Press.*

THE WAY THE OPPOSITION CALCULATE.

A contemporary says that a friend of his was in conversation the other day with an Augusta and a Richmond Whig, both of whom were boasting that Goggin would certainly be elected. "What will be his majority in your county?" said our friend to the Augusta Whig. "It will be at least 500," said he. "What will be the majority in your city?" said our friend to the Richmond gentleman. "It will be at least 600," was the triumphant response. "Well," said our friend, "Flournoy's majority in Augusta in 1855 was 1300 and in Richmond 1000, so, according to your own estimates, Goggin will lose twelve hundred votes in these two places alone?"

We asked a well-posted member of the "Goggin-impetition party" a few days ago, how he thought Norfolk and Portsmouth would go in the ensuing election? "Well," said he, "Norfolk will give Goggin 200 majority, and Portsmouth will give Letcher about the same majority. These places gave Flournoy over 400 majority. So by the calculations of the 'Opposition,' in four places Goggin will lose SIXTEEN HUNDRED on Flournoy's vote. That is beating the Democracy with a vengeance.—*Norfolk Argus.*

THE PARAGUAY DIFFICULTY.

Advices from Buenos Ayres to January 27th indicate the strong probability of the peaceful settlement of our difficulties with the Paraguayan government. U. S. Commissioner Bowlin on his arrival at Itapera, the scene of the firing upon the Water Witch, was met by the plenipotentiaries sent by the Paraguayan government who proposed an adjournment to the neutral city of Corrientes, in the Argentine republic. They expressed, on the part of their government, the most anxious desire for a fair, just and peaceable arrangement with the United States; and further, that they were authorized to grant to the United States a treaty similar to those at present existing between their government and the government of England, France, and Sardinia; and, furthermore, to leave to arbitration any and all such claims as the United States or any of its citizens might have against the government of Paraguay. Bowlin replied that, such being the case, he would not then make a positive answer, but would meet the plenipotentiaries at the said city of Corrientes within thirty days. The Buenos Ayres Tribune, of January 30, expresses the belief "that the next packet will convey the intelligence of the tranquil solution of this subject, which, with great reason is attracting the attention of the people of the Plata, and principally that of the Brazilian Empire, in whose interest it could not be to consent that the Colossus of the North should establish its predominance on the side of America."

MILLSON WITHOUT A CONVENTOR.—The "Opposition" convention which met at Suffolk yesterday, wisely determined to make no nomination for Congress. The track in this clear to Gen. Millson, who will walk around, crack his whip, and take the

WHAT THE DEMOCRATS HAVE DONE.

[From the Memphis (Tenn.) Daily Avalanche, March 22.] In the matter of admitting new States to the Union, as, indeed, in all other matters, the Quincy Herald remarks, the democratic party has done all that has ever been done for this country. Under the administration of Washington the democracy admitted three States—two new slave States and one free State—into the Union. These were Vermont in 1794, Tennessee in 1796, and Kentucky in 1798. The democratic administration of Thomas Jefferson received Ohio into the Union in 1802, and purchased Louisiana for France in 1804. The acquisition of Louisiana gave us territory enough for more States than were in our original confederacy, and what was scarcely less valuable, gave us control of the Mississippi river, whose mouth was previously owned by France and Spain. Under James Madison's democratic administration, the State of Louisiana was admitted into the Union in 1812, and Indiana in 1816. During the presidency of James Monroe a democratic Congress admitted Mississippi into the Union in 1817, Illinois in 1818, Alabama in 1819, Maine in 1820, Missouri in 1821, and purchased of Spain the territory of Florida in 1821. The democratic administration of Andrew Jackson admitted into the Union Michigan and Arkansas in 1836. During the presidency of James K. Polk Texas was acquired in 1845, the States of Iowa and Florida admitted in 1845, Wisconsin in 1846, and the Territories of California, Utah, and New Mexico were purchased. The State of California was admitted in 1850, while Fillmore, accidentally, occupied the presidential chair, but a democratic Congress did the work of admission. Under the democratic presidency of Gen. Pierce the Territory of Arizona was purchased. And under James Buchanan, our Chief Executive at this time, Minnesota came into the Union in 1858, and Oregon in 1859.

A HUSBAND POISONED BY HIS WIFE.

GREENSBORO, N. C., March 25. A day or two since, Isaac Johnson, a farmer of this county, and a very honest and upright citizen, died under such peculiar circumstances, that it was not only by his neighbors, but by the physicians who attended him during his illness, strongly believed that he had been poisoned. Accordingly, Drs. Glen and Black proceeded as expeditiously as possible, to make a post mortem examination of the deceased, to become fully satisfied as to the causes of his death. The parts of the body taken out were placed aside to be reserved for a short time, before the physicians continued the examination. Upon returning, neither the parts of the body, nor the vessel in which they were placed, could be found.

The circumstances fully confirmed the suspicions at first so strongly entertained, that Mr. Johnson had been poisoned, and innumerable other facts relating to his death and many astounding revelations concerning the domestic and family relations of his household, were speedily brought to light, which implicated his wife as having perpetrated the heinous crime.

Immediately she was arrested and brought to this place, and after undergoing an examination before a magistrate, in which the evidence produced in behalf of the State was so entirely overwhelming that not the least doubt could be entertained as to her guilt, she was ordered to be confined in jail until the approaching term of the Superior Court, at which time she will undergo a regular trial, and it is thought by many that her conviction there will be certain.

Mr. Johnson and his wife have lived unhappily together for the last year or two past, and it is reported that recently she became attached to a man of the neighborhood, (whose name I have not learned,) who spared no pains to produce all the trouble and misery in the family that could be possible.

The prisoner's conduct since her arrest has been marked by feelings of total disregard and indifference as to the consequences, and with little regret at the death of her husband, notwithstanding that at the same time declares herself totally innocent. Correspondence *Petersburg Press.*

THE CONNECTICUT ELECTION.

HARTFORD, April 4.—The Republicans have elected the entire Congressional Delegation, as well as the whole State Ticket, and a large majority of the Legislature. The following are the successful candidates:

Governor, W. A. Buckingham; Lieut. Gov. J. Catlin; Treasurer, J. J. Hendee; Secretary, J. Boyd; Comptroller, W. H. Buell.

The following are the candidates elected in the Congressional Delegation:

First District—D. Loomis, (Rep.) in place of E. Clark, Jr., (Rep.)

Second District—J. Woodruff, (Rep.) in place of S. Arnold, (Dem.)

Third District—A. A. Burnham, (Rep.) in place of S. Dean, (Rep.)

Fourth District—O. S. Ferry, (Rep.) in place of Wm. D. Bishop, (Dem.)

NEW HAVEN, April 4.—11 o'clock, P. M. The whole of the First Congressional District has not been heard from, but D. Loomis, the Republican candidate, is reported elected.

In the Second District, J. Woodruff, Rep., has 480 majority.

In the Third District the returns are not complete, but the indications are that A. A. Burnham, Rep., has several hundred majority.

In the Fourth District, O. S. Ferry, Rep., is certainly elected.

THE WILD AFRICANS.

The Columbus (Ga.) "Times" gives the recently imported Africans a different character from what has been generally ascribed to them by most papers. It says:

"They are in every respect like the negroes who wait on our table, and understand readily by a gesture, what they fail to comprehend by words. They are adepts at learning. Those who purchased them are well satisfied with their bargains, and think the negroes harder, stronger, better suited to labor, capable of enduring more, standing the heat, more docile, and, upon the whole, better plantation negroes than the little rice negroes of South Carolina or many of the hard-heads of Virginia."

DAVID S. REID.

Some of the organs of the opposition in this State appear to take peculiar pleasure in underrating this gentleman, and in attempting to cast ridicule upon him. This is but a continuation of the game which was commenced in 1848 by these same organs, notwithstanding which Gov. Reid has constantly grown in the confidence of the people, and in the respect and good opinion of sensible men of all parties. Superficial observers even, and persons in other States, who know but little of our public men and measures, are not likely to be misled or imposed on by the organs referred to; for they will conclude at once that a man who has been promoted and honored as David S. Reid has been by an intelligent people, must possess qualities and a character of a superior kind; while here, where he is so well known, such a course on the part of his political opponents will only endear him the more to his party and his friends.

No man has stamped his character and his name more indelibly upon the history of this State than Gov. Reid has done; no man, from Curruck to Cherokee, has a stronger hold than he has upon the confidence and the affections of the great body of the people. He has a popularity which will wear well, for it has been dearly earned. In 1848, when no one else would accept the Democratic nomination for Governor, he took the field—in feeble health though he was, and at the sacrifice of his private interests—canvassed the State thoroughly, reduced the proud Whig majority of thousands to as many hundreds, and carried dismay to the very heart of the Federal combination which had so long ruled the State. In 1850 he was elected Governor by nearly three thousand majority; and in 1852 he was re-elected by nearly six thousand majority. These are the "stubborn facts" which the stomach of federalism has never been able to digest; these are the achievements, the bare thought of which still rouses the spleen of the old federalists and their successors, the Samites. Gov. Reid was the first public man in North Carolina who made the people fully sensible of their rights and their power. They are now all free men, and Free Suffrage made them so. The government is now the people's; they control it; and they can shape it in the future to suit themselves. The power of oligues, of family influences, of combinations based on corporations and associated wealth, has departed, we trust never to return. The federalists not only know all this, but they feel it; and hence their antipathy to Gov. Reid.

Gov. Reid is still in the vigor of manhood, and has before him, we trust, many years of prosperity and usefulness. It would not become us to predict for him any particular public position in the future, nor indeed have we any authority for saying that he will ever again enter public life; but they who suppose that his popularity is waning, or that he is to be numbered among departed politicians, may wake up some fine morning and find themselves mistaken. One defeat after so many victories, will hardly prostrate a popularity so elastic, so deeply based, and so firmly rooted as that of Gov. Reid's. Raleigh Standard.

THE WATERLEY NOVEL.—The well-known firm of T. B. Peterson & Brothers, 306 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, are now engaged in publishing a remarkably cheap edition of these unapproachable works of fiction. The two first, "Ivanhoe" and "Guy Rannering," have already been issued. "Rob Roy," will issue on next Saturday, and so on, one will be published regularly on each and every coming Saturday, until the whole number of volumes—twenty-six—is completed. The low price fixed by the publishers for them are only 25 cents a volume, or the whole twenty-six volumes for five dollars. A complete set will be forwarded, free of postage, by mail, to any part of the United States, to any one, by the publishers, on receiving a remittance of five dollars for the twenty-six volumes; or a remittance of three dollars will pay for the first twelve volumes; or a remittance of one dollar will pay for the first four volumes. The novels will be neatly printed, and each volume will contain about 125 pages, printed on fine white paper, and neatly bound with paper cover. The revised uniform Edinburgh edition, from which this is reprinted, comprises forty-eight volumes, the cost of which is seventy-two dollars; and this edition will contain every word of the Edinburgh edition.

We commend the determination of this enterprising Philadelphia firm, to furnish the works of an author like Walter Scott at a price so reasonable, that all persons who ever may possess a full set, and direct the especial attention of our readers to the fact, and would advise them all to make a remittance of Five Dollars at once, per first mail, to the publishers, for the entire set, who will send them complete to any one, free of postage, on receipt of that sum.

MR. EVERETT WILL VISIT NORTH CAROLINA.

We are highly gratified to learn, as we do by a letter from Robert H. Cowan, Esq., of Wilmington, to C. B. Root, Esq., of this City, that the Hon. Edward Everett will visit this State during the present month, and deliver his Oration on Washington at the following times and places: Wilmington, Monday evening, April 11th. Newbern, Tuesday " " 12th. Raleigh, Thursday " " 14th. Chapel Hill, Friday " " 15th. An opportunity will thus be afforded to our citizens of hearing the great Oration of the age from the lips of the most accomplished living orator, and of contributing to the praiseworthy work of purchasing the home and grave of WASHINGTON. Mr. Everett will be warmly welcomed by our citizens; and we trust his visit to the State will be agreeable and pleasant to him, as we feel sure it will be beneficial to the cause which he has in hand. We need not be limited only by the capacity of the stands in which he delivers his Oration.—*Standard.*

EARTHQUAKE IN VIRGINIA.—The shock of an earthquake was distinctly felt at Jeffersonville, Tazewell county, about 9 o'clock at night on the 22d ult. A heavy rumbling sound, easily distinguishable from that of thunder, was, several seconds after followed by a distinct jarring of houses, rattling of quenevare and window sash. It was less violent than the one experienced at the same place in May, 1852. Portsmouth Transcript.

DEMOCRACY TRIUMPHANT.

The Charter election at Brooklyn on Tuesday, resulted in the success of the whole Democratic ticket. The Mayor, Powell Dem., for Mayor, is 3,000.

Free negroes are getting to be a popular institution, and in predicting that the return to "slavery" will fill such a misnomer as to exist, the Missouri Democrat that has been under discussion, is just passed a bill to expel from that State. They have now 1860, to dispose of their other arrangements for the year do not go to it, it is made the riffs to seize them and hire the highest bidder for one year, the net proceeds of their sale to leave the State. That such free negroes as may choose masters—their having them appraised, and mistress they have chosen poor value into the Common School county.

Maryland, a State more by free negroism than any in also discussing this important There are in some single Maryland more free negroes than New England States, and being non-producing, they are a doubt Maryland will follow her sister States and abate the Ignorant and deluded people that the legislation we refer to by hatred to the negro. This view of the case. It is the most interests to be provided and it would actually be one conspicuous acts of humanity nineteenth century could provide free negro in the United States. It would save the progeny from that inevitable which is sure to be his fate, cope, without a master's present, the superior energy and will of the man.—*N. Y. Day Book.*

DEMOCRACY.

Democracy must finally triumph man reason, because its found deep in the human heart. The whose souls are bound by a sympathy, once relieved from prejudice, will stand forth as champions. It fastens the men, as the shield of their present and the ground of their future. They perceive in it a saving, deeming truth, a regenerating force. It is the only creed which man, or that can bind the eternal chains of brotherhood and Nothing sinks so deep into the multitude, for nothing else is fitted with their moral and social. Though the high and mighty of may decide its simple truths, the thing to die in their defence. They are blended too closely with all it is worthy to live and glorious to be relinquished without a pang. They are too firmly allied imperishable hopes, the destinies, the onward triumph of humanity, ever to be deserted. It is individuals may change—born and blotted out—kings rise wealth, honor, distinction, but must live. While man lasts its origin is among the necessities of things, and it can only cease eternal truth is no more.—*Democrat.*

THE OPPOSITION.—The opposition means Know Nothingism, Whiggism, Federalism, and all which have afflicted the country. Mr. John M. Botts, now leading and speaking for the hope of the opposition in Virginia, he cannot defeat the Democracy, he is willing to do it by negro votes. Here what he still cent speech:

"It has not been very long that men somewhat prominent in the of the Democracy, whom I met, said to me, 'Mr. Botts, question to propound to you, is no objection.' Certainly no, I want to know, said he, 'if you favor of a coalition with the Black can party in the election of 1860, good friend I don't wish you to stand me; I wish to say, that if a State in this Union comes negroes, and the Constitution the right to vote, I would be to them to help me to elect (laughter and applause.)' I question to him which propounded in your hearing, from the result I read, if he would not gladly me to rescue the ship on fire. I said, I do not? 'No, sir,' would rather be beaten than from that quarter."

CONSEQUENCES OF ABOLITIONISM.—abolitionism had reared its ugly North, the tendency of legislation Southern States was to emancipate blacks and amelioration of their It has been different since, of we have an example in the recent Missouri. The House of Representatives of that State has passed an act which no slave shall be deemed until his master shall have into bonds in the sum of two thousand dollars to remove the negro within days after the act of emancipation; any negro who may thus have been freed from the State shall return, be reduced to slavery. All free who may be residents of the State ten hundred and sixty are declared slaves, and the sheriff may sell the provision of the bill is, that arising from the sale of such negro constitute part of the school fund State. But, forty years ago, the rise of abolitionism, and before it, the South to stringent measures guarding negroes, this would have deemed severe legislation. The abolitionism is the worst enemy groves have ever had.—*Detroit Free*

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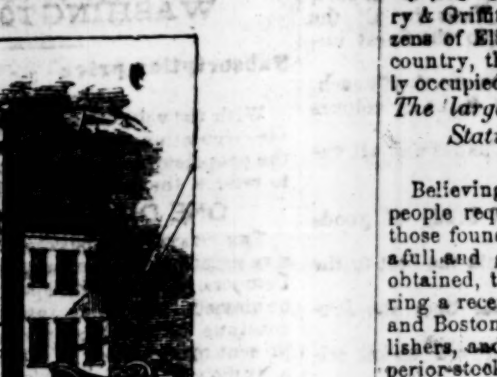
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